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THE GROVE

Cedar Grove Elementary School's Monthly Newsletter



Recently I presented to school board trustees. Let me tell you, what a joy it was to share about how our year is going! Our students and staff are working hard each day and it seems to me that our new motto here at Cedar Grove is "bring the joy!" This is evident in the messages students leave with chalk on our sidewalks, the laughter one hears from the office and classrooms, and the fact that many of us "big gnomes" are actually excited to come to work each day. (And in the middle of a pandemic!) This week is teacher appreciation week – feel free to show our staff some love!

This month the staff and I will be working hard to place students in classes for the 2021-2022 school year. When creating a classroom, we must consider: total number of students, number of students with learning and language needs, social emotional needs, friendships, leadership, and ensuring there is a balance of academic needs. With the class size and composition language, we also need to follow particular contract guidelines. We use the educational expertise of our staff to look at the overall picture of next year's individual classes and learners. Having said that, if you have any concerns you feel we need to know about regarding your child's placement for next year, you can email me at ocowan@sd46.bc.ca before May 12th, 2021.

Wishing you all a very joyful May!

**AIR HUGS,
OLWEN COWAN, PRINCIPAL**

SECRET BEACH WITH DIV. 7

MAY KEY DATES

- PAC meeting - Wednesday 5th
- SD46 Sleep Week - May 10th-14th
- Bed-head Day - Tuesday, 11th
- Silly Slippers/Socks Day
- Thursday, 13th
- Pro-D - Friday, 21st
- Victoria Day - Monday, 24th



LATE OR ABSENT

If your child will be absent or late, please call the school office at 604.886.7818 to let us know or leave a message on the machine.

CELL PHONE POLICY

If you believe you must send your child to school with a phone, please note the following: Students must keep their phones turned off on school property and stored in their backpacks at all times of the school day. This is a safety concern for privacy reasons as well as a distraction for learners. If a student's phone is seen during the school day, they will be asked to give their phone to the office for the remainder of the day. If you need to contact your child, please call the school at 604 886 7818. Please do not send texts or phone their cells expecting replies during school hours. Cedar Grove Elementary School is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged property. If you are concerned about loss, theft or damage, please do not send a cell phone with your child.

WEST COAST RECESS!



Please send your children to school with appropriate outdoor clothing. Many kids (you know who they are) benefit from keeping a change of clothes at school.

PEANUT FREE CLASSROOMS



Division 10 (Favro) and our SCAS rooms are peanut-free classes.

PAC CORNER

May PAC Meeting

Our next PAC Meeting is Wednesday May 5th at 7pm. The Zoom meeting link will be emailed to everyone on the day prior to the meeting.

Growing Smiles Orders

Plants for our Growing Smiles Fundraiser will be delivered to CGE on Friday May 7th. Exact pick up times will be confirmed and the day prior but will most likely be available for pick up in the afternoon. We have ordered a few extra items that will be available for sale if you missed the pre-orders.

Yearbooks

We still have a few yearbooks available for pre-order. To order yours now, go to www.jostens.com, select 'Yearbooks' and search up our school. Yearbooks are \$25 and will be ready for pick up at the school in June.

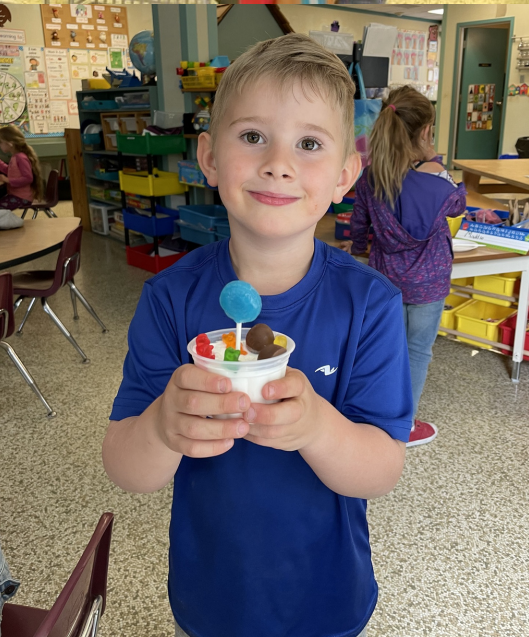
PAC June Elections

Our June 2nd PAC Meeting will include elections for the 2021/2022 school year. If you are interested in joining the PAC executive or getting more involved, don't miss out on this meeting.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK: MAY 3RD - 7TH

It takes a big
heart
to help shape
little
minds.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK TO SEE THE GOINGS-ONS IN THE SCHOOL! FACEBOOK/CGESD46



SCHOOL DISTRICT 46 SUNSHINE COAST

Introducing School District 46's first **SLEEP WEEK**, to help promote better outcomes for our students!

We know that consistent, adequate sleep:

- leads to better energy
- sharper memory
- boosts immunity
- assists with self-regulation
- improves self-esteem and stabilizes mood – which all leads to better learning outcomes!

Behavioural symptoms of inadequate sleep include:

- irritability
- aggression
- hyperactivity
- attention problems
- decreased motivation

70% of Canadian children do not get the amount of sleep recommended for their age group

Sleep problems are the number one health concern brought forward to family doctors

Introducing Sleep Week!
May 10-14th

Tuesday, 11th

**Bed-head Day!
(Messy hair, don't
care)**

**9 - 12 HOURS
OF SLEEP A
NIGHT!**



**Participate each day
and you could win a
Squishmallow!**

**SLEEP WEEK!
MAY 10TH - 14TH**

Thursday, 13th

**Silly feet day
(wear silly
socks/slippers)**

